

## ODD PRIMARY bo-RESOLUTIONS AND K-THEORY LOCALIZATION

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### 1. Introduction

In this paper we adapt to odd primes  $p$  Mahowald's theory of bo-resolutions [17] and apply it to calculate the homotopy groups of some nonconnected spectra which are obtained as direct limits of some spectra constructed from  $B\Sigma_p$ . The calculation of their homotopy groups is the main step in proving that these spectra are, in fact,  $K$ -theory localizations of certain Moore spectra, analogous to the situation for real projective spaces established in [8].

Throughout this paper,  $p$  is a fixed odd prime and  $q = 2p - 2$ . The symbols  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  and  $\mathbf{Z}/p$  are used interchangeably,  $A$  is the mod  $p$  Steenrod algebra, and  $H^*(X) = H^*(X; \mathbf{Z}_p)$ . We let bu (resp. bo) denote the spectrum for connective complex (resp. real)  $K$ -theory, localized at  $p$ . Adams [2] obtained a splitting

$$\text{bu} = \bigvee_{i=0}^{p-2} \Sigma^{2i}l,$$

from which the splitting

$$\text{bo} = \bigvee_{i=0}^{(p-3)/2} \Sigma^{4i}l$$

is easily derived. This  $l$  is often called  $BP\langle 1 \rangle$  [9]. In Section 3 we utilize Kane's splitting of  $l \wedge l$  [13] to show that all the theorems of bo-resolutions can be adapted to  $l$ . In fact, the situation is simpler here, and the reader who has had difficulty with [17] and [6] may find this paper more understandable.

Let  $B\Sigma_p$  denote the classifying space for the symmetric group of  $p$  letters localized at  $p$  [3]. Then

$$H^i(B\Sigma_p) \approx \begin{cases} \mathbf{Z}_p, & i \equiv -1, 0 \pmod{q}, \quad i \geq 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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by [21]. Let  $\beta' : \Sigma_p \rightarrow U(p - 1)$  be the representation obtained by restricting the permutation action on  $\mathbf{C}^p$  to the hyperplane  $z_1 + \dots + z_p = 0$ . Let  $\beta_k$  denote the bundle

$$B\Sigma_p^{(kq)} \xrightarrow{B\beta'} BU(p - 1)$$

on the  $(kq)$ -skeleton of  $B\Sigma_p$ . For any integers  $b < t$ ,  $t$  possibly infinite, let  $B_b^t = T((b - 1)\beta_{t-b+1})/S^{(b-1)q}$ , where  $T(\ )$  denotes the Thom spectrum.

These spectra are (except when  $b < 0$  and  $t = \infty$ ) stunted  $B\Sigma_p$ 's by the following result.

**PROPOSITION 1.1.** (i) *If  $b \geq 0$ , then  $B_b^t$  is isomorphic to the suspension spectrum of  $B\Sigma_p^{(tq)}/B\Sigma_p^{((b-i)q)}$ .*

(ii) *If  $N \equiv 0(p^{t-b+1})$  then  $\Sigma^{qN}B_b^t \simeq B_{b+N}^{t+N}$ .*

This is proved in Section 2, along with the following result, which is used in forming our desired spectra  $\bar{B}_b^t$ .

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** *If  $t \in \mathbf{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$  and  $b < t$ , then there are maps  $g_b^t$  trivial in  $H^*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$  and nontrivial on the bottom cell, so that the diagrams*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_b^t & \xrightarrow{g_b^t} & B_{b-1}^{t-1} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B_b^\infty & \xrightarrow{g_b^\infty} & B_{b-1}^\infty \end{array}$$

commute. The maps  $g_b^t$  induce isomorphisms in  $K_*(\ )$  and  $K^*(\ )$ . The composite

$$B_{b-1}^{t-1} \xrightarrow{i \circ c} B_b^t \xrightarrow{g_b^t} B_{b-1}^{t-1}$$

is  $\cdot p$ .

**DEFINITION 1.3.**  $\bar{B}_b^t$  is the mapping telescope of

$$B_b^t \xrightarrow{g_b^t} B_{b-1}^{t-1} \xrightarrow{g_{b-1}^{t-1}} B_{b-2}^{t-2} \rightarrow \dots$$

We often write  $B_b$  for  $B_b^\infty$ , and  $\bar{B}_b$  for  $\bar{B}_b^\infty$ .

Let  $J$  denote the fibre of a map

$$l \xrightarrow{\theta} \Sigma^q l$$

which is nontrivial in  $H^q(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$ ; a lifting of an Adams operation  $\Psi^t - 1$  is one way of constructing such a  $\theta$ . Let  $\nu(\ )$  denote the exponent of  $p$

THEOREM 1.4.

$$J_i(\bar{B}_b) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Z}/p^{\nu(i+1)+1}, & i \equiv -1 \pmod q, i \neq -1, \\ \mathbf{Z}/p^\infty, & i = -1, -2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$$J_i(\bar{B}_b^t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Z}/p^{m+1}, & i = a \cdot p^m q - \epsilon, \epsilon = 1 \text{ or } 2, \nu(a) = 0, m \leq t - b, \\ \mathbf{Z}/p^{t-b+1}, & i = a \cdot p^m q - \epsilon, \epsilon = 1 \text{ or } 2, \nu(a) = 0, m \geq t - b, \\ 0, & i \not\equiv -1, -2 \pmod q. \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 1.5. *If  $p > 3$ , the Hurewicz homomorphism*

$$\pi_i(\bar{B}_b^t) \xrightarrow{h} J_i(\bar{B}_b^t)$$

*is an isomorphism.*

The surjectivity of  $h$  in 1.5 is proved for all odd primes in Section 2; the injectivity for  $p > 3$ , which uses  $l$ -resolutions, is proved in Section 3. It seems very likely that  $h$  in 1.5 is injective also when  $p = 3$ , particularly since Miller's proof [18] of 1.5 when  $t = b$  works when  $p = 3$ .

The following results are now easily derived, similarly to the case  $p = 2$  in [8]. Let  $X_K$  denote the  $K_*$ -localization of a spectrum  $X$  [4]. For other notation, see Section 4, where these results are proved.

THEOREM 1.6.  $\bar{B}_b^t$  is  $K_*$ -local if  $p > 3$ .

COROLLARY 1.7. *If  $p > 3$ ,  $\bar{B}_b^t = (B_b^t)_K$  and is independent of the choice of the maps  $g_{b,t}$ ;  $\bar{B}_b^t = \bar{B}_{b+n}^{t+n}$  for all integers  $n$ .*

THEOREM 1.8. *If  $p > 3$ ,  $\bar{B}_b^t = (S^{-1}/p^{t-b+1})_K$  for  $t$  finite or infinite.*

COROLLARY 1.9. *If  $p > 3$ , there are cofibrations*

$$S^{-1}Q \rightarrow \bar{B}_1 \rightarrow S_{K(p)}, \quad \text{and} \quad S^{-2}Q \vee S^{-1}Q \rightarrow \bar{B}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{J}_{(p)}.$$

The significance is that the spectrum  $\bar{B}_1^\infty$ , since it is constructed from geometric spaces  $B\Sigma_p$  bearing no apparent relation to  $K$ , is in some sense a

simpler model for  $K$ -theory localizations than Bousfield's, which is constructed from  $\mathcal{J}$  and hence ultimately from  $K$ .

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**2. The spectra  $\overline{B}_b^t$  and their homotopy groups**

In this section we prove 1.1, 1.2, 1.4, and the surjectivity part of 1.5.

*Proof of 1.1.* The restriction of  $\beta$  to  $B\mathbf{Z}_p$  is the bundle  $\alpha$  induced by the reduced regular representation. The bundle  $\alpha$  is equivalent to the sum of the  $p - 1$  nontrivial complex line bundles over  $B\mathbf{Z}_p$ , which have equivalent sphere bundles, and hence the Thom spectrum  $T(\alpha)$  is equivalent to the Thom spectrum of  $(p - 1)\lambda$  where  $\lambda$  is the canonical complex line bundle over  $B\mathbf{Z}_p$  [20]. Thus for any integer  $k$ , there is a map

$$(2.1) \quad T(k(p - 1)\lambda_{mq}) \rightarrow T(k\beta_m),$$

where  $\lambda_n$  denotes the restriction of  $\lambda$  to the  $n$ -skeleton of  $B\mathbf{Z}_p$ , which is the lens space  $L^n$ . We index our lens spaces and stunted lens spaces with real dimensions, rather than the complex dimensions used in [12]. Thus  $L_b^n = B\mathbf{Z}_p^{(n)}/B\mathbf{Z}_p^{(b-1)}$ .

We use the result of [12] that identifies Thom spectra of multiples of  $\lambda$  as stunted lens spaces, so that, after collapsing a skeleton, (2.1) gives a map

$$(2.2) \quad L_{(k+1)q-1}^{(k+m)q} \rightarrow B_{k+1}^{k+m}.$$

The transfer [10] gives a map of suspension spectra

$$B\Sigma_p \xrightarrow{t} B\mathbf{Z}_p,$$

injective in  $H_*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$  since  $|\Sigma_p : \mathbf{Z}_p|$  is prime to  $p$ . This  $t$  induces

$$B\Sigma_p^{((k+m)q)}/B\Sigma_p^{(kq)} \rightarrow L^{((k+m)q)}/L^{(kq)} \rightarrow L_{(k+1)q-1}^{(k+m)q},$$

which when followed by the map of (2.2) induces an isomorphism in  $H_*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$  and hence an equivalence of  $p$ -localized spectra.

(ii) follows immediately from the fact that

$$\widetilde{KU}^0(B\Sigma_p^{(t-b+1)q}) \approx \mathbf{Z}/p^{t-b+1},$$

which is easily proved by the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence or the

Adams spectral sequence for  $ku_0(D(B\Sigma_p^{(t-b+1)q}))$ , where  $D(\ )$  denotes an  $S$ -dual. □

A map has  $(H\mathbf{Z}_p)$ -filtration  $\geq s$  if it can be written as a composite of  $s$  maps, each trivial in  $H^*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$ . If  $X$  is any spectrum, a map  $S^m \rightarrow X$  has filtration  $s$  iff it is detected by an element of  $\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^{s, s+m}(H^*X)$ . We delete  $\mathbf{Z}_p$  from second component of  $\text{Ext}(\ , \ )$ . Let  $X^{(s)}$  denote the spectrum obtained from  $X$  by killing  $\text{Ext}^i(H^*X)$  for  $i < s$ .

*Proof of 1.2.* (Entirely analogous to [8; 2.1].) There is a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_{b-1} & \xrightarrow{f} & B_{b-1}^{(1)} \\ \downarrow c & \nearrow g & \\ B_b & & \end{array}$$

where  $f$  is a lifting of  $\cdot p$ , and  $g$  exists because

$$\dim(\text{fibre}(c)) < \text{conn}(B_{b-1}^{(1)}).$$

Similarly one obtains

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B_b^t & \xrightarrow{g} & B_{b-1}^{t-1(1)} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ B_b & \xrightarrow{f} & B_{b-1}^{(1)} \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & B_t^{(1)} \end{array} \quad \square$$

We now work toward the proof of 1.4.  $H^*(l) \approx A//E$ , where  $E$  is the exterior subalgebra generated by  $Q_0 = \beta$  and  $Q_1 = P\beta - \beta P^1$ . Then  $l_* = \pi_*(l)$  is calculated from a spectral sequence beginning with  $\text{Ext}_E(\mathbf{Z}_p)$ , and is a polynomial algebra over  $\mathbf{Z}_{(p)}$  on a generator  $\alpha$  of degree  $q$  and Adams filtration 1. We have

$$H^i(B_b^t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Z}_p, & i = 0, -1(q), bq - 1 \leq i \leq tq, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

with  $Q_0$  and  $Q_1$  nonzero wherever possible.  $l_*(B_b^t)$  is calculated from  $\text{Ext}_E(H^*B_b^t)$  and its chart is shown in Fig. 1. In a chart such as this, column  $i$  is  $\pi_i(\ )$  (in this case  $l_i(\ ) = \pi_i(\ \wedge l)$ ), and vertical lines connecting dots correspond to multiplication by  $p$ . The following result reformulates the chart.

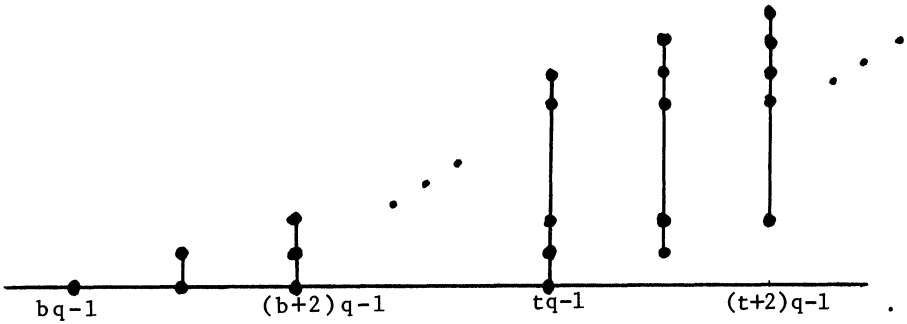


FIG. 1

PROPOSITION 2.3.  $l_*(B'_b)$  is an  $l_*$ -module on generators  $y_i \in l_{iq-1}(\ )$  for  $b \leq i \leq t$  with relations  $py_b$  and  $\alpha y_i = py_{i+1}$  for  $b \leq i < t$ .

The following result could be proved using an Adams-operation interpretation of  $\theta$ , but we prefer the more homotopy-theoretic version given below.

PROPOSITION 2.4. *The composite*

$$l_{iq-1}(B'_b) \xrightarrow{\theta_*} l_{iq-1}(\Sigma^q B'_b) \xrightarrow{\alpha_*} l_{iq-1}(B'_b)$$

is (up to a unit in  $\mathbf{Z}_{(p)}$ ) multiplication by  $p^{v(i)+1}$ .

*Proof.* Define  $\theta : l \rightarrow \Sigma^q l$  to be the second component of

$$l \xrightarrow{l^{\wedge 1}} l \wedge l \xrightarrow{K} l \vee \Sigma^q l \vee \dots,$$

where  $K$  is Kane's splitting [13], which will be discussed in more detail in Section 3. The only pertinent fact about  $\theta$  is that  $H^q(\theta) \neq 0$ .

Use the method of [18; 2.11] to show  $\alpha_* \theta_* : l_{iq-1}(S^0) \rightarrow l_{iq-1}(S^0)$  is multiplication by  $p^{v(i)+1}$ . Let  $\lambda : B_1 \rightarrow S^0$  denote a map of the type considered in [10] or [3]. Then  $l_*(S^0 \cup_{\lambda} CB_1)$  has the chart in Fig. 2. and the exact sequence  $0 \rightarrow l_*(S^0) \rightarrow l_*(S^0 \cup_{\lambda} CB_1) \rightarrow l_*(\Sigma B_1) \rightarrow 0$  enables deducing  $\theta_*$  in  $l_*(\Sigma B_1)$  from  $\theta_*$  in  $l_*(S^0)$ . Then  $\theta_*$  in  $l_*(B'_b)$  follows by naturality and the equivalences of 1.1(ii). □

The homomorphisms

$$l_*(B'_b) \xrightarrow{g_b^*} l_*(B'_{b-1})$$

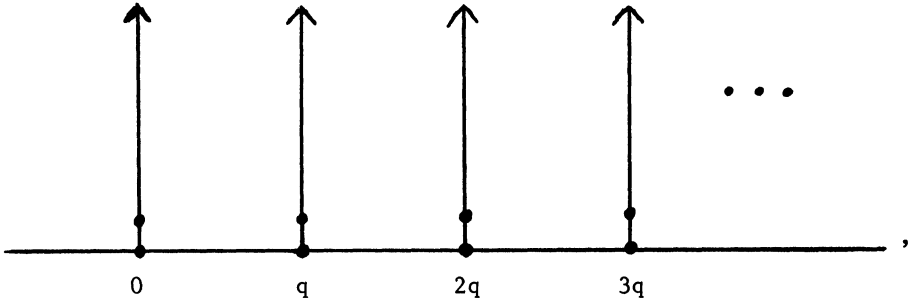


FIG. 2

are injections onto all classes of positive filtration. Thus

$$l_i(\bar{B}_b^t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Z}/p^{b-t+1}, & i \equiv -1 \pmod{q}, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and 1.4 follows from the exact sequence

$$\xrightarrow{\theta_*} l_{*-q+1}(\bar{B}_b^t) \rightarrow J_*(\bar{B}_b^t) \rightarrow l_*(\bar{B}_b^t) \xrightarrow{\theta_*} l_{*-q}(\bar{B}_b^t) \rightarrow$$

together with 2.4. □

Similarly to [8],  $J_*(\bar{B}_b^t)$  may be conveniently represented by a chart which incorporates negative, as well as positive, filtrations. This is achieved by defining

$$E^{s,\tau}(l_*(\bar{B}_b^t)) = \lim_{\rightarrow} E^{s+i,\tau+i}(l_*(B_{b-i}^t)).$$

then

$$E_1^{s,\tau}(J_*(\bar{B}_b^t)) = E^{s,\tau}(l_*(\bar{B}_b^t)) \oplus E^{s-1,\tau}(l_*(\Sigma^q \bar{B}_b^t)),$$

and finally inserting differentials to reflect the homomorphism  $\theta_*$ . For example, if  $p = 3$ ,  $J_*(\bar{B}_1^3)$  would have the chart in Fig. 3.

The proof of surjectivity in 1.5 is analogous to that in [8]. The following lemma will be useful.  $D(\ )$  always refers to a (stable) 0-dual; i.e.,  $DX \wedge X \rightarrow S^0$ .

LEMMA 2.5.  $D(B_b^t) = \Sigma B_{-t}^{-b}$  for any integers  $b$  and  $t$ .

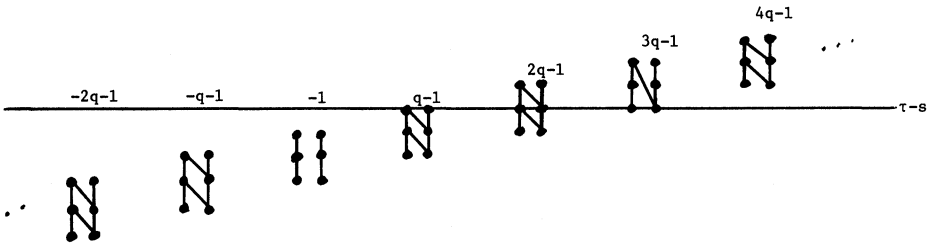


FIG. 3

*Proof.* This follows from the analogous result for stunted lens spaces [11] together with the splitting maps, (2.2) and  $t$ , used in the proof of 1.1.  $\square$

Now we prove the surjectivity in 1.5.

*Case 1.*  $t = \infty$ ,  $i \equiv -1 \pmod{q}$ . Since  $p^{k-a}\beta_{k-a}$  is trivial, there is a filtration-0 map  $T(a\beta_{k-a}) \rightarrow S^{aq}$  if  $\nu(a) \geq k - a$ . Lemma 2.5 translates this to a filtration-0 map  $S^{-aq-1} \rightarrow B_{-a-\nu(a)}$ . Since

$$\Sigma^{qp} B_{-(p-1)a-\nu(a)}^{-(p-1)a} \simeq B_{a-\nu(a)}^a$$

by 1.1(ii), there are filtration-0 maps  $S^{aq-1} \rightarrow B_{a-\nu(a)}$  for all integers  $a$ . Hence the first vertical arrow in the commutative diagram below is surjective.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \pi_{aq-1}(B_{a-\nu(a)}) & \xrightarrow{g_{a-\nu(a)}} & \pi_{aq-1}(B_{a-\nu(a)-1}) & \xrightarrow{g_{a-\nu(a)-1}} & \dots \\ \downarrow h & & \downarrow h & & \\ J_{aq-1}(B_{a-\nu(a)}) & \xrightarrow{g_{a-\nu(a)}} & J_{aq-1}(B_{a-\nu(a)-1}) & \xrightarrow{g_{a-\nu(a)-1}} & \dots \end{array}$$

All arrows along the bottom are isomorphisms, and hence all vertical arrows are surjective. Therefore  $\pi_{aq-1}(\bar{B}_b) \rightarrow J_{aq-1}(\bar{B}_b)$  is surjective for any  $b$ .

*Case 2.*  $t = \infty$ ,  $i = -2$ . Let  $a \in \pi_{p^e q-2}(B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e-1})$  denote the attaching map for the top cell of  $(B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e})^{(p^e q-1)}$ . The splitting map constructed in the second sentence of the proof of Case 1 implies that  $a$  maps to 0 in  $\pi_{p^e q-2}(B_{p^e-e}^{p^e-1})$ . The image of  $a$  in  $J_{p^e q-2}(B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e-1})$  has Adams filtration  $e + 1$ , by the exact sequence in  $J_*(\ )$  of

$$S^{p^e q-2} \xrightarrow{a} B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e-1} \longrightarrow (B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e})^{(p^e q-1)}.$$

Thus  $a$  pulls back to an element of  $\pi_{p^e q-2}(B_{p^e-2e}^{p^e-e-1})$  whose image in  $J_*(\ )$



has filtration  $e + 1$ . By 1.1(ii), the same is true of  $\pi_{-2}(B_{-2e}^{-\ell-1})$ , and hence of  $\pi_{-2}(B_{-2e})$ . Using the maps  $g$  of 1.2, we deduce that all elements of  $J_{-2}(\bar{B}_k)$  of filtration  $\geq 1 - k - e$  are in  $\text{im}(h)$ , and  $e$  can be chosen arbitrarily large.

*Case 3.*  $t$  finite. This follows from the case  $t = \infty$  exactly as in [8; 3.8], using a diagram which applies  $\pi_*( ) \rightarrow J_*( )$  to the cofibration  $B_b^t \rightarrow B_b \rightarrow B_{t+1}$ , and using the vanishing line of [15] for  $\pi_*(B_{t+1})$ .  $\square$

### 3. Odd-primary bo-resolutions

In this section we adapt Mahowald’s theory of bo-resolutions to the spectrum  $l$ , and apply it to prove the injectivity in 1.5. Lellman [14] has developed a very nice theory for resolutions with respect to the spectrum  $k(1) = l/p$ , but it does not seem to be quite appropriate for our application to the spectra  $\bar{B}_b$ , which have arbitrarily large  $p$ -torsion in  $\pi_*( )$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_p$  denote the category of locally-finite wedges of Eilenberg-MacLane spectra  $\Sigma^n H/p$ . A map of spectra  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an *equivalence mod  $\mathcal{H}$*  if there are spectra  $H_1, H_2 \in \mathcal{H}$  and equivalences  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  so that the  $(X_1 \rightarrow Y_1)$ -component of

$$X_1 \vee H_1 \xrightarrow[\cong]{h_1} X \xrightarrow{f} Y \xrightarrow[\cong]{h_2} Y_1 \vee H_2$$

is an equivalence. If  $f$  is such a map, there is a map  $g: Y \rightarrow X$  which is also an equivalence mod  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Kane [13] constructed complexes  $C(n)$  (we have changed the name from his  $K(n)$  to avoid confusion with Morava  $K$ -theory) of dimension  $2n - \Sigma n_s$  if  $n = \Sigma n_s p^s$  with  $0 \leq n_s < p$ . Let  $E \subset A$  be as in Section 2, and let  $L(m)$  denote the  $E$ -module with generators  $G_i$  of degree  $qi$  for  $0 \leq i \leq m$  and relations  $Q_0 G_0, Q_1 G_i = Q_0 G_{i+1}$  ( $0 \leq i < m$ ),  $Q_1 G_m$ . Then  $H^*C(n)$  splits over  $E$  as  $F \oplus L(\nu(n!))$ , where  $F$  is a free  $E$ -module. We note that

$$\nu(n!) = \Sigma n_s (p^{s-1} + \cdots + p + 1) = \Sigma n_s \frac{p^s - 1}{p - 1}.$$

The following analogue of [6; 3.9] will be useful later and gives a simple visualization of  $l_*(C(n))$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *There is an equivalence mod  $\mathcal{H}$ :*

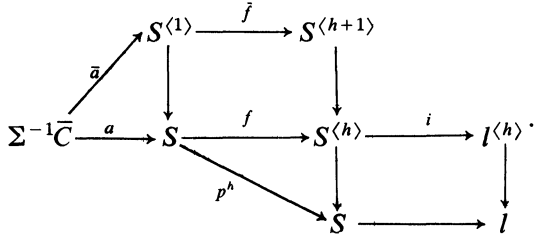
$$C(n) \wedge l \rightarrow l^{\langle \nu(n!) \rangle}.$$

*Proof.* The proof is analogous to that of [6; 3.9] given on [6; pp. 51–52]. We begin with the case  $n = p^s$ . Let  $h = \nu(p^s!) = (p^s - 1)/(p - 1)$ . The map

$a$  below is defined by the cofibration sequence

$$\Sigma^{-1}\bar{C} \xrightarrow{a} S^0 \rightarrow C = C(p^s) \rightarrow \bar{C}.$$

$S = S^0$  is the sphere spectrum.



Since  $\dim(\Sigma^{-1}C) = 2p^s - 2$  is less than the connectivity of  $S^{\langle h+1 \rangle}$  by [15],  $\tilde{f}a$  is trivial and hence so is  $fa$ . Thus  $fa$  factors through a map

$$C \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} S^{\langle h \rangle},$$

and  $i\tilde{f}: C \rightarrow I^{\langle h \rangle}$  has the property that

$$L(h) \approx H^*(I^{\langle h \rangle}) \xrightarrow{(i\tilde{f})^*} H^*(C) \approx L(h) \oplus F \xrightarrow{\pi_1} L(h)$$

is the identity. The composite  $f_s$ ,

$$C \wedge I \xrightarrow{i\tilde{f} \wedge I} I^{\langle h \rangle} \wedge I \xrightarrow{\mu} I^{\langle h \rangle},$$

is our desired map when  $n = p^s$ .

In the general case, write  $n = \Sigma n_s p^s$  with  $0 \leq n_s < p$ , and consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \bigwedge_s C(p^s)^{\wedge n_s} & \xrightarrow{\wedge f_s^{\wedge n_s}} & \bigwedge_s (I^{\langle \nu(p^s!) \rangle})^{\wedge n_s} \xrightarrow{\mu} I^{\nu(n!)} \\ \downarrow m & & \\ C(n) & & \end{array}$$

where  $m$  is the pairing constructed in [13; 5.5] and  $\mu$  uses

$$I^{\langle h \rangle} \wedge I^{\langle h' \rangle} \rightarrow I^{\langle h+h' \rangle}.$$

By [13; 15:3:4], when  $\wedge I$  is applied to  $m$ , an equivalence mod  $\mathcal{A}$  is obtained;

i.e., we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_1 \vee H_1 & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \bigwedge C(p^s)^{\wedge n_s} \wedge l \longrightarrow l^{\langle \nu(n!) \rangle} \wedge l \xrightarrow{\mu} l^{\langle \nu(n!) \rangle} \\ & & \downarrow \\ Y_1 \wedge H_2 & \xrightarrow{\cong} & C(n) \wedge l \end{array}$$

with

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{h} Y_1$$

an equivalence. Then

$$C(n) \wedge l \longrightarrow Y_1 \xrightarrow{h^{-1}} X_1 \longrightarrow l^{\langle \nu(n!) \rangle}$$

is the desired equivalence mod  $\mathcal{H}$ . □

If  $\bar{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_k)$ , let  $|\bar{n}| = \sum n_i$ ,

$$C(\bar{n}) = C(n_1) \wedge \dots \wedge C(n_k) \quad \text{and} \quad C_{\bar{n}} = \Sigma^{q|\bar{n}|} C(\bar{n}).$$

**COROLLARY 3.2.** *If  $\bar{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_k)$ , there is an equivalence mod  $\mathcal{H}$ :*

$$C(\bar{n}) \wedge l \rightarrow l^{\langle \Sigma \nu(n_i!) \rangle}.$$

Let  $R_s$  denote the set of  $s$ -tuples of positive integers. Let  $I$  and  $\bar{l}$  be defined by the cofiber sequence

$$I = \Sigma^{-1}\bar{l} \longrightarrow S^0 \xrightarrow{\iota} l \xrightarrow{p} \bar{l}.$$

Let  $d_s = \tilde{l}^s \wedge p \wedge \iota: \tilde{l}^s \wedge l \rightarrow \tilde{l}^{\wedge(s+1)} \wedge l$ . As in [13; p. 89], let  $L$  be the Thom spectrum of the obvious spherical fibration over  $\Omega S^{2p-1}$ , and  $\phi: L \rightarrow l$  the rational equivalence defined on [13; p. 90].

**THEOREM 3.3.** *For  $s \geq 1$ , there is an equivalence*

$$h_s: \bigvee_{\bar{n} \in R_s} C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l \rightarrow \tilde{l}^s \wedge l$$

and a map  $g_s$  so that the following diagram commutes mod elements of filtration

$\geq 2$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \bigvee_{\bar{n} \in R_s} S^{q|\bar{n}|} \wedge L & \xrightarrow{g_s} & \bigvee_{\bar{m} \in R_{s+1}} S^{q|\bar{m}|} \wedge L \\
 \downarrow j \wedge \phi & & \downarrow j \wedge \phi \\
 \bigvee_{\bar{n} \in R_s} C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l & \xrightarrow{h_{s+1}^{-1} d_s h_s} & \bigvee_{\bar{m} \in R_{s+1}} C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l
 \end{array}$$

and, in  $H_*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_{(p)})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &g_{s*}(x^{q i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{q i_{s+1}}) \\
 &= \sum_{j, a} (-1)^j \binom{i_j}{a} x^{q i_1} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{q i_{j-1}} \otimes x^{q a} \otimes x^{q(i_j - a)} \otimes \dots \otimes x^{q i_{s+1}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We omit the lengthy proof of the following result, [13; 11.1 and 23.6], which is analogous to [6; 3.18]:

There are (stable) equivalences  $f, g$ , and  $h$  so that the following diagram commutes mod elements of filtration  $\geq 2$ :

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \bigvee_{n \geq 0} S^{qn} \wedge L & \xrightarrow{g \wedge L} & \Omega S_+^{2p-1} \wedge L \\
 \downarrow j \wedge \phi & & \downarrow f \\
 \bigvee_{n \geq 0} C_n \wedge l & \xrightarrow{h} & l \wedge l \\
 & & \downarrow \phi \wedge \phi
 \end{array}$$

The failure to commute [13; pp. 56–59] is due to elements of  $[\Sigma^{2p^{s+1}-3}M, l \wedge l]$  for  $s \geq 1$ , where  $M$  is the mod  $p$  Moore spectrum, and any such elements in positive filtration have filtration  $\geq s + 1$ , the first being in the  $(C_{p^s-1} \wedge l)$ -summand of  $l \wedge l$ .

This diagram is iterated as in [6; p. 55] to yield the diagram of the theorem. The homology statement is a consequence of [16; 2.3].  $\square$

Let  $D^*$  denote the cochain complex

(3.4)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \pi_*(l) & \xrightarrow{d_0^*} & \pi_*(\bar{l} \wedge l) & \xrightarrow{d_1^*} & \pi_*(\bar{l}^{\wedge 2} \wedge l) & \xrightarrow{d_2^*} & \pi_*(\bar{l}^{\wedge 3} \wedge l) \xrightarrow{d_3^*} \dots \\
 \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel \\
 D^0 & & D^1 & & D^2 & & D^3
 \end{array}$$

The main theorem of  $l$ -resolutions is:

**THEOREM 3.5.** *If  $s \geq 2$ ,  $H^s(D^*)$  is a  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -vector space, all elements of which have  $(H\mathbf{Z}_p)$ -filtration 0 or 1.  $H^1(D^*)$  differs from*

$$\text{coker}\left(\pi_*(l) \xrightarrow{\theta_*} \pi_*(\Sigma^q l)\right)$$

by a  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -vector space, all elements of which have filtration 0 or 1.

*Proof.* We calculate  $H^*(D^*)$  using what has been called a geometric May spectral sequence (GMSS) in [19] and [14]. The  $E_1$ -term is  $\oplus_s \pi_*(\tilde{l}^s \wedge l)$ , which is given (above filtration 0) by 3.2 and 3.3. The  $\delta_1$ -differential is the  $(H\mathbf{Z}_p)$ -filtration preserving part of  $d_{s*}$ .

*Remark 3.6.* We first single out for special attention the

$$\pi_*(l) \rightarrow \pi_*(C_1 \wedge l)$$

component of  $d_{0*}$ . This was calculated in the proof of 2.4; it increases filtration by  $\nu(k)$  in  $\pi_{kq}(\quad)$ . This can be interpreted as  $\delta_{\nu(k)+1}$ -differential in the GMSS, but we shall omit it from our subsequent consideration of this spectral sequence; its behavior is anomalous.

The following lemma is well known (e.g., [5]).

**LEMMA 3.7.** *Let  $U$  be a  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -vector space with basis  $\{u_n : n > 0\}$ , and let  $U^m = U \otimes \cdots \otimes U$  with  $m$  factors. Define*

$$\Delta(u_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \binom{n}{i} u_{n-i} \otimes u_i$$

and

$$d_s(u_{n_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{n_s}) = \sum_{i=1}^s (-1)^i u_{n_i} \otimes \cdots \otimes \Delta(u_{n_i}) \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{n_s}.$$

Then

$$U \xrightarrow{d^1} U^2 \xrightarrow{d^2} U^3 \xrightarrow{d^3} \cdots$$

is a cochain complex  $U^*$  with

$$H^*(U^*) \approx E[u_{p^j} : j \geq 0] \otimes \mathbf{Z}_p[v_{p^{j+1}} : j \geq 0]$$

where

$$v_{p^{j+1}} = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \frac{1}{p} \binom{p}{i} u_{p^j(p-i)} \otimes u_{p^j i}.$$

The cochain complex in 3.7 is naturally isomorphic to the complex obtained by applying  $H_*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_{(p)}) \otimes \mathbf{Z}_p$  to the maps  $g_s$  of 3.3 restricted to the bottom cells. By 3.3, the same is true of the complex obtained by applying  $\pi_*(\ )/\text{Torr} \otimes \mathbf{Z}_p$  to the maps  $h_{s+1}^{-1}d_s h_s$  of 3.3, restricted to the bottom cells. The  $C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l \rightarrow C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l$  component,  $f$ , will be nonzero on the bottom cell if  $\bar{m}$  is obtained from  $\bar{n}$  by splitting some  $n_i$  as  $(a, n_i - a)$ . If

$$\binom{n_i}{a} \equiv \alpha \not\equiv 0 \pmod{p},$$

then tightness of the  $A$ -module  $H^*(C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l)$  implies that (ignoring split  $H\mathbf{Z}_p$ 's)

$$\text{Ext}_A^{*,*}(H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l)) \xrightarrow{f_*} \text{Ext}_A^{*,*}(H^*(C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l))$$

is  $\cdot\alpha$  in all nonzero groups.

We elaborate slightly upon the preceding sentence. Both  $H^*(C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l)$  and  $H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l)$  as  $A$ -modules have generators and relations corresponding to those of the same  $E$ -module  $L(h)$  defined before 3.1. The relations  $Q_0 G_{i+1} = Q_1 G_i$  imply that  $f_* G_i = \alpha G_i$  for all  $i$ . The elements in the minimal resolution are given by relations  $Q_1 x_{i-1} + \epsilon Q_0 x_i$ , and so the map of minimal resolutions inductively assures that all Ext-maps are  $\cdot\alpha$ .

A similar argument, similar to [6; p. 56], shows that if

$$\binom{n_i}{a} \equiv 0(p),$$

then

$$f_* = 0 : \text{Ext}_A^{*,*}(H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}_A^{*,*}(H^*(C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l)),$$

except that elements of  $\text{Ext}_A^0(H^*(C_{\bar{m}} \wedge l))$  corresponding to split  $H\mathbf{Z}_p$ 's might be in  $\text{im}(f_*)$ . Lemma 3.7 and the paragraphs which follow it imply the following result.

LEMMA 3.8. *Let  $\bar{E} = (e_0, e_1, m_1, e_2, m_2 \dots)$  be a finite sequence of nonnegative integers with  $e_i \leq 1$ , corresponding to the generator*

$$v(\bar{E}) = u_1^{e_0} \prod_{j \geq 1} u_{p^j}^{e_j} v_{p^j}^{m_j}$$

*of  $H^*U^*$  of 3.7. Define  $\bar{n}(\bar{E})$  to be the sequence of positive integers below, where the numbers beneath a number or pair of numbers indicates the number of occurrences of that number or pair of numbers:*

$$\underbrace{(p^0)}_{e_0}, \underbrace{p^1}_{e_1}, \underbrace{p^0, p^1 - p^0}_{m_1}, \underbrace{p^1, p^2 - p^1, \dots}_{m_2}, \dots$$

Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be the set of sequences  $\bar{E}$  with  $e_i > 0$  or  $m_i > 0$  for some  $i > 0$ . Then the  $E_2$ -term of the GMSS (modulo Remark 3.6) in positive  $(H\mathbf{Z}_p)$ -filtration agrees with  $\oplus_{\bar{E} \in \mathcal{E}} \pi_*(C_{\bar{n}(\bar{E})} \wedge l)$ .

*Proof.* The chain complex  $U^*$  of 3.7 splits as a direct sum of subcomplexes  $U_{(S_1, S_2)}$  spanned by  $u_{\bar{n}} = u_{n_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes u_{n_k}$  with

$$\bar{n} \in N(S_1, S_2) = \{ \bar{n} : \sum n_i = S_1, \sum \nu(n_i!) = S_2 \}.$$

For all  $\bar{n} \in N(S_1, S_2)$ , the charts  $l_*(C_{\bar{n}})$  are isomorphic above filtration 0 by 3.2. In the GMSS,  $(E_1, \delta_1)$  splits as a direct sum of subcomplexes  $E_1(S_1, S_2)$ , and the subcomplex in each  $\text{Ext}^{s,t}(\quad)$ -bigrading is either 0 or  $U_{(S_1, S_2)}$ .  $\square$

Here we have, rather arbitrarily, selected  $C_{p^{r-1}} \wedge C_{p^{r-p^{r-1}}} \wedge l$  to represent the homotopy classes corresponding to a  $v_p$ -factor. Next we analyze the  $\delta_2$ -differential in the GMSS, utilizing the following lemma, which uses some notation of 3.8.

**LEMMA 3.9.** *Let  $\mathcal{E}' = \{ \bar{E} = (e_1, m_1, e_2, m_2, \dots) : (0, \bar{E}) \in \mathcal{E} \}$ . Let  $V^*$  be a graded  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ -vector space with basis  $\{ v(\bar{E}) : \bar{E} \in \mathcal{E}' \}$ , where  $v(\bar{E})$  has grading  $\sum_{j \geq 1} e_j + 2m_j$ . Suppose  $V^*$  has a differential  $d$  such that  $d \circ d = 0$  and*

$$d(v(\bar{E})) = \sum_{j: e_j=1} \alpha_j v(\dots, m_{j-1}, 0, m_j + 1, e_{j+1}, \dots)$$

with  $\alpha_j \not\equiv 0 \pmod p$ . Then  $H^*V^* = 0$ .

**SUBLEMMA 3.10.** *We say a differential vector space is of  $n$ -type if it has basis  $w_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)}$ ,  $\varepsilon_i = 0$  or 1, and*

$$d(w_{(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)}) = \sum_{\varepsilon_j=1} \alpha_j w(\dots, \varepsilon_j - 1, \dots)$$

with  $\alpha_j \neq 0$ . If  $(W, d)$  is of  $n$ -type, then  $H^*W = 0$ .

*Proof.* If  $W' = \langle w_{\bar{\varepsilon}} : \varepsilon_1 = 0 \rangle$ , then  $W'$  and  $W/W'$  are of  $(n - 1)$ -type, and so the result follows by induction and the exact cohomology sequence.  $\square$

*Proof of 3.9.*  $V^* = \oplus_K W(K)$ , where  $K$  ranges over finite sequences of nonnegative integers, and  $W(K) = \langle v(\bar{E}) : e_i + m_i = k_i \rangle$ . Each  $W(K)$  is of  $n$ -type, where  $n$  is the number of nonzero  $k_i$ 's, and the  $\varepsilon_i$ 's are the  $e$ 's associated to nonzero  $k$ 's.  $\square$

The following result is analogous to [6; 3.7(ii)] as corrected in [7].

LEMMA 3.11. *Suppose  $v(\bar{E}_1)$  occurs with nonzero coefficient in  $d(v(\bar{E}))$  in 3.9, and  $\bar{n} = \bar{n}(\bar{E}) = (n_1, \dots, n_k)$  is as in 3.8. Let*

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^k \nu(n_i!).$$

*Let  $r = r_1 \vee r_2$  denote the following composite, which utilizes the equivalences mod  $\mathcal{H}$  of 3.2 and the maps of 3.3:*

$$\Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s \rangle} \rightarrow C_{\bar{n}} \wedge l \xrightarrow{h_k^{-1} d_k h_k} C_{\bar{n}(\bar{E}_1)} \wedge l \xrightarrow{\cong} \Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s-1 \rangle} \vee H.$$

*Then  $r_1$  lifts to an equivalence  $\Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s \rangle} \rightarrow (\Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s-1 \rangle})^{\langle 1 \rangle}$ .*

*Proof.* Since

$$\nu \left( \begin{array}{c} p^j \\ p^{j-1} \end{array} \right) = 1,$$

3.3 implies that the restriction of  $r$  to the bottom cell lifts to

$$(\Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s-1 \rangle})^{\langle 1 \rangle},$$

where it is nonzero in  $H^*(\ ; \mathbf{Z}_p)$ . By tightness of  $A$ -module structure,  $H^*(r_1; \mathbf{Z}_p)$  must be 0, so that  $r_1$  lifts to  $(\Sigma^{|\bar{n}|} I^{\langle s-1 \rangle})^{\langle 1 \rangle}$ , and, as before, analysis of relations in the minimal resolution shows that all Ext-classes map by multiplication by the same nonzero element of  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ .  $\square$

We can now deduce 3.5. First note that, similarly to 3.11 and [6; 3.7(iii)], 3.3 and tightness of  $A$ -structure imply that if  $\bar{v}(\bar{E}_1)$  does not occur with nonzero coefficient in  $d(v(\bar{E}))$  in 3.9, then the

$$C_{\bar{n}(\bar{E})} \wedge l \rightarrow C_{\bar{n}(\bar{E}_1)} \wedge l$$

component of  $\delta_2$  is zero, i.e.,  $\text{Ext}^{s,t} \rightarrow \text{Ext}^{s+1,t+1}$  is 0. This and 3.11 imply that the chain complex  $(E_2, \delta_2)$  in the GMSS, except in filtration 0 and perhaps 1, and with the exception discussed in Remark 3.6, splits as  $\oplus A(K)$ , where  $K$  ranges over finite sequences of nonnegative integers as in the proof of 3.9. Here

$$A(K) = \bigoplus_{\bar{E}: v(\bar{E}) \in W(K)} \text{Ext}_{A^*}^{*,*} (H^*(C_{\bar{n}(\bar{E})} \wedge l)),$$

where  $W(K)$  is as in the proof of 3.9. Similarly to the proof of 3.8, for any  $K$



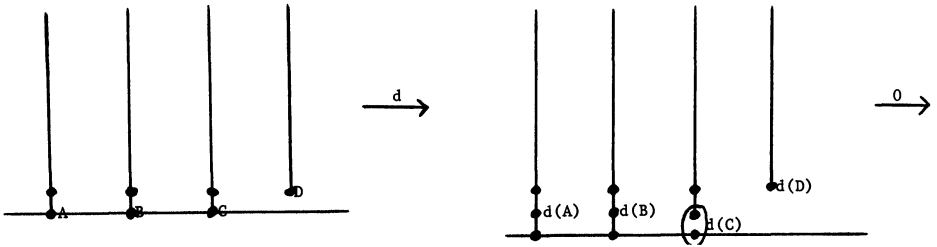


FIG. 4

and  $(s, t)$ , the intersection with  $A(K)$  of the sequence

$$\begin{aligned} \bigoplus_{\bar{n} \in R_1} \text{Ext}^{s,t}(H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge I)) &\rightarrow \bigoplus_{\bar{n} \in R_2} \text{Ext}^{s+1,t+1}(H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge I)) \\ &\rightarrow \bigoplus_{\bar{n} \in R_3} \text{Ext}^{s+2,t+2}(H^*(C_{\bar{n}} \wedge I)) \rightarrow \dots \end{aligned}$$

is either 0 or  $W(K)$ , and hence is acyclic. Since the  $E_\infty$ -term of the GMSS is an associated graded for  $H^*D^*$ , this implies 3.5. The filtration 1 terms, which were overlooked in [17] and [6], can occur due to the situation in Fig. 4 (see [7]), where  $d(C)$  is the sum of the indicated classes:

A result similar to [6; 3.6] adapting 3.5 to any spectrum  $X$  for which the Adams spectral sequence  $\text{Ext}_A(H^*(X \wedge I)) \Rightarrow \pi_*(X \wedge I)$  collapses could probably be proved, but an adaptation of the proof of that result seems tedious at best. We are content to prove that it holds for the spectra  $B'_b$  of 1.1.

**THEOREM 3.12.** *If  $X = B'_b$  with  $t$  possibly infinite, then the chain complex  $D^*_X$ ,*

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \pi_*(X \wedge I) & \xrightarrow{d_{0*}} & \pi_*(X \wedge \tilde{I} \wedge I) & \xrightarrow{d_{1*}} & \pi_*(X \wedge \tilde{I}^{\wedge 2} \wedge I) & \xrightarrow{d_{2*}} & \dots \\ \parallel & & \parallel & & \parallel & & \\ D^0_X & & D^1_X & & D^2_X & & \end{array}$$

has the following properties:

- (i) If  $s \geq 2$ ,  $H^s D^*_X$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}_p$ -vector space consisting of classes of  $(H\mathbb{Z}_p)$ -filtration 0 or 1.
- (ii)  $H^1(D^*_X)$  agrees with

$$\text{coker} \left( \pi_*(X \wedge I) \xrightarrow{\theta_*} \pi_*(X \wedge I \wedge I) \right)$$

except for classes of filtration 0 or 1.

*Proof.* We first show that if the  $l_*(C_{\bar{n}}) \rightarrow l_*(C_{\bar{m}})$  component of  $h_{k+1}^{-1}d_k h_k$  is  $\alpha$  except for filtration-0  $\mathbf{Z}_p$ 's, then the same is true of  $l_*(X \wedge C_{\bar{n}}) \rightarrow l_*(X \wedge C_{\bar{m}})$ . This is proved for  $X = B_1^t$  by the argument of 2.4. It is then deduced for  $B_b^t$  with  $b \geq 1$  by use of the collapsing map

$$B_1^t \xrightarrow{c} B_b^t,$$

noting that

$$l_*(B_1^t \wedge C_{\bar{n}}) \xrightarrow{c_*} l_*(B_b^t \wedge C_{\bar{n}})$$

is surjective. Next it is deduced for all  $B_b^t$  with  $t$  finite using the equivalences of 1.1(ii). Finally it is deduced for  $B_b^\infty$  by using  $B_b^t$  to study  $\pi_i(\quad)$  for  $i \leq qt$ . Then Lemma 3.8 remains valid for the  $E_2$ -term of the GMSS converging to  $H^*D_X^*$ , and Lemma 3.11 remains valid when  $X \wedge$  is applied, so that we can deduce that the  $E_3 = E_\infty$ -term (modulo Remark 3.6) of the GMSS is as claimed.  $\square$

We are now prepared to prove the injectivity of  $\pi_*(\bar{B}_b^t) \rightarrow J_*(\bar{B}_b^t)$  in 1.5. After possibly reindexing, it suffices to show that if  $\alpha: S^n \rightarrow B_b^t$  becomes trivial in  $B_b^t \wedge J$ , then for some  $k$  the composite

$$S^n \xrightarrow{\alpha} B_b^t \xrightarrow{g_b^t} B_{b-1}^{t-1} \xrightarrow{g_{b-1}^{t-1}} \dots \xrightarrow{g_{b-k+1}^{t-k+1}} B_{b-k}^{t-k}$$

is trivial. It suffices to do this when  $t$  is finite, for if  $\alpha \in \pi_n(B_b^\infty)$  choose  $t > [n/q]$  and use the commutative diagram (from 1.1)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & & B_b^t & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & B_{b-k}^{t-k} \\ & & \nearrow & \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \\ S^n & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & B_b^\infty & \longrightarrow & \dots & \longrightarrow & B_{b-k}^\infty \end{array}$$

to deduce the result for  $\alpha$ .

By duality it is equivalent to show that if  $f: \Sigma^{n+1}B_{-t}^{-b} \rightarrow S^0$  becomes trivial in  $J$ , then for some  $k$  the composite

$$S^0 \xleftarrow{f} \Sigma^{n+1}B_{-t}^{-b} \xleftarrow{g_1^{-b+1}} \dots \xleftarrow{g_k^{-b+k}} \Sigma^{n+1}B_{-t+k}^{-b+k} \tag{3.13}$$

is trivial. We use the  $l$ -resolution

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} S^0 & \xleftarrow{p_0} & I & \xleftarrow{p_1} & I^{\wedge 2} & \xleftarrow{p_2} & I^{\wedge 3} & \longleftarrow \dots \\ q_0 \downarrow & & \searrow q_1 & & \downarrow q_2 & & \downarrow q_3 & \\ I & & I \wedge I & & I^{\wedge 2} \wedge I & & I^{\wedge 3} \wedge I & \end{array}$$

where  $I = \Sigma^{-1}\bar{l}$ .

LEMMA 3.14. *If  $s \geq 2$  and  $f_s$  below is any map,*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & \Sigma^{-1}I^{\wedge(s-1)} \wedge l & & I^{\wedge(s+1)} & & \\
 & & \searrow j & & \downarrow p_s & & \\
 B_{\beta}^{\tau} & \xrightarrow{g_{\beta}^{\tau-1} \circ g_{\beta}^{\tau}} & B_{\beta-2}^{\tau} & \xrightarrow{f_s} & I^{\wedge s} & \xrightarrow{q_s} & I^{\wedge s} \wedge l \\
 & & & & \downarrow P_{s-1} & & \\
 & & & & I^{\wedge(s-1)} & & 
 \end{array}$$

then there exists  $\tilde{f}: B_{\beta}^{\tau} \rightarrow I^{\wedge(s+1)}$  such that

$$P_{s-1} \circ P_s \circ \tilde{f} = P_{s-1} \circ f_s \circ g_{\beta-1}^{\tau-1} \circ g_{\beta}^{\tau}.$$

The conclusion is also true if  $s = 1$  and

$$B_{\beta-2}^{\tau} \xrightarrow{f_1} I \longrightarrow \Sigma^{q-1}l$$

is trivial, where the last arrow is the first component of the splitting of  $I \wedge l$ .

*Proof.* Dual to  $f_s \circ g_{\beta-1}^{\tau-1} \circ g_{\beta}^{\tau}$  is an element  $\gamma \in \pi_{-1}(B_{-\tau}^{-\beta} \wedge I^{\wedge s})$  of  $H\mathbf{Z}_p$ -filtration  $\geq 2$ . Since

$$g_s \gamma \in \ker\left(\pi_{-1}(B_{-\tau}^{-\beta} \wedge I^{\wedge s} \wedge l) \xrightarrow{d_s} \pi_{-1}(B_{-\tau}^{-\beta} \wedge I^{\wedge(s+1)} \wedge l)\right),$$

3.12 implies that there exists  $\delta \in \pi_{-1}(B_{-\tau}^{-\beta} \wedge \Sigma^{-1}I^{\wedge(s-1)} \wedge l)$  such that  $q_s(j\delta + \gamma) = 0$ . Thus there is  $F \in \pi_{-1}(B_{-\tau}^{-\beta} \wedge I^{\wedge(s-1)})$  such that  $p_s F = j\delta + \gamma$  and hence  $p_{s-1} p_s F = p_{s-1} \gamma$ . Dualize again to obtain the desired result.  $\square$

Now suppose  $f$  is as in 3.13. Its triviality in  $J$  implies that it lifts to a map  $f_1$  satisfying the hypothesis in the last sentence of 3.14. Then 3.14 implies that  $f_1 g_1 \dots g_{2k}$  lifts to a map

$$\Sigma^{n+1} B_{-i+2k}^{-b+2k} \xrightarrow{f_{k+1}} I^{\wedge(k+1)}.$$

By [14; 3.6],

$$I^{\wedge(k+1)} \xrightarrow{p^{k+1}} S^0$$

is null-homotopic on the  $(\frac{1}{2}(k+1)pq - 1)$ -skeleton if  $k+1$  is even. The dimension of the domain of  $f_1 g_1 \dots g_{2k}$  is  $n+1 - bq + 2kq$ . If  $p/2 > 2$ , then, for  $k$  sufficiently large,  $p^{k+1} f_{k+1}$  is trivial for dimensional reasons, establishing triviality of 3.13 and hence injectivity in 1.5.  $\square$

Lellman ([14]) also required the condition  $p > 3$  in his proof of 1.5 when  $b = t$ .

**4.  $K$ -theory localization**

In this section we prove 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, and 1.9. As the arguments are totally analogous to the case  $p = 2$  handled in [8], details will be kept to a minimum.

Analogues of the proofs of [8; 4.1] could be given. Since both of those use results of Bousfield, we prefer the following self-contained proof, mimicking the proof of [4; 4.2].

*Proof of 1.6.* Let

$$\mathcal{J} = \text{fibre} \left( K_{(p)} \xrightarrow{\Psi^r - 1} K_{(p)} \right)$$

be as in [4; p. 269]. Then  $X \wedge \mathcal{J}$  is  $K_*$ -local for any spectrum  $X$ , since it is a cofibre of  $K$ -module spectra. The map

$$S^0 \xrightarrow{t} J \rightarrow \mathcal{J}$$

induces a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} B_b^t & \xrightarrow{g_b^t} & B_{b-1}^{t-1} & \xrightarrow{g_{b-1}^{t-1}} & \dots & & \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & & & \\ B_b^t \wedge \mathcal{J} & \xrightarrow{g_b^t \wedge \mathcal{J}} & B_{b-1}^{t-1} \wedge \mathcal{J} & \longrightarrow & \dots & & \end{array}$$

Since

$$\Psi^r - 1 : K_{aq-1}(B_{b-k}^{t-k}) \rightarrow K_{aq-1}(B_{b-k}^{t-k})$$

is multiplication by  $r^{a(p-1)} - 1$  on  $\mathbf{Z}/p^{t-b+1}$  (using [11]), and

$$\nu_p(r^{a(p-1)} - 1) = \nu_p(a) + 1$$

by [1], the groups  $\pi_*(B_{b-k}^{t-k} \wedge \mathcal{J})$  are isomorphic to  $\pi_*(\overline{B}_b^t)$  given by 1.4 and 1.5, and the maps  $g_b^t \wedge \mathcal{J}$  induce isomorphisms in  $\pi_*(\quad)$ . Since  $\pi_i(B_b^t \wedge J) \rightarrow \pi_i(B_b^t \wedge \mathcal{J})$  is an isomorphism for  $i \geq tq$ , it follows from 1.5 that  $\overline{B}_b^t \rightarrow B_b^t \wedge \mathcal{J}$  is an equivalence, and hence  $\overline{B}_b^t$  is  $K_*$ -local.

Corollary 1.7 follows immediately from 1.6 and the fact that the maps  $g_b^t$  of 1.2 are  $K_*$ -equivalences. The independence of  $g_b^t$  is a consequence of the uniqueness of Bousfield's localization.

In 1.8,  $S^{-1}/p^n$  is the Moore spectrum whose only nonzero integral homology group is  $H_{-1}(S^{-1}/p^n) \approx \mathbf{Z}/p^n$ .

*Proof of 1.8.* As in the proof of surjectivity in 1.5, there is a degree-1 map

$$S^{-1} \xrightarrow{f} B_{b-t}^0.$$

The map  $\cdot p^{t-b+1}$  on  $B_{b-t}^0$  is trivial because

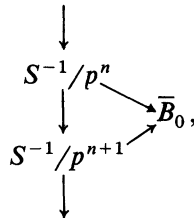
$$\text{Ext}_{\mathcal{A}}^s, \tau(H^* B_{b-t}^0) = 0$$

for  $s \geq t - b + 1$ ,  $\tau - s \leq 0$  by [15]. Thus  $f$  factors through a map

$$S^{-1}/p^{t-b+1} \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} B_{b-t}^0.$$

That  $K_*(\tilde{f})$  is an isomorphism can be shown using either the Atiyah-Hirzebruch spectral sequence or the Adams spectral sequence for  $ku_*(\ )$  as in [8]. Thus  $(S^{-1}/p^{t-b+1})_K \simeq (B_{b-t}^0)_K \simeq \bar{B}_b^t$ .

A  $K_*$ -localization map  $S^{-1}/p^\infty$  is obtained as in [8] by inductively constructing a diagram



using (from 1.4 and 1.5)  $\pi_{-1}(\bar{B}_0) \approx \mathbf{Z}/p^\infty$ . □

The first cofibration in 1.9 follows from 1.8 and the fact that  $\mathbf{Z}/p^\infty \approx Q/\mathbf{Z}_{(p)}$ , while the second follows from Bousfield's description of  $S_{K(v)}$ .

*Added in proof.* An alternate approach to 3.1, 3.2, and part of 3.3 can be found in W. Lellman, *Operations and cooperations in odd-primary connective K-theory*, J. London Math. Soc., vol. 29 (1984), pp. 562–576. An alternate approach to 1.6 can be found in D. M. Davis, M. Mahowald, and H. R. Miller, *Mapping telescopes and  $K_*$ -localizations*, to appear in Proc. John Moore Conference, Princeton Univ. Press.

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